



## Board Scans Theatre, Discusses New Store

The first item on the agenda of the GCS board of directors' meeting last Friday was the raising of the present \$10,000 revolving fund to \$25,000. At a previous meeting, the board had agreed to a \$5000 increase to meet the emergency of withdrawals by members moving out of Greenbelt or in need of funds, with final action to be voted upon at a later date. Since the original \$10,000 was 10% of GCS's capital stock when the stores were opened and the capital stock has more than quadrupled, this increase in the revolving fund indicates the rate of growth of the co-op enterprises.

### New Store Problems

The executive committee report recommended that the "basic rights and privileges of new members in the area of the new store be set up"; that "they elect an advisory board by the PR system to meet with GCS directors at regular meetings." T. George Davidsen took exception to the words "rights" and "privileges." Carolyn Miller expressed the opinion that membership in the new store should entitle stockholders to the same exercise of expression as the people enjoy in Greenbelt. Another director felt that this "advisory board should make recommendations on promotions and grievances." It was suggested by Walter Volckhausen that the New Hampshire store manager should meet with that advisory board in discussing their needs and problems, but "would not make policy," that function to be performed by GCS directors and management. Volckhausen raised a question that he felt the new area membership would want answered, "just what influence will the new membership have in the New Hampshire store." The board agreed that this question was a pertinent one for the promotional committee to have answered. Volckhausen is a member of this committee.

Discussion on the name of the new store took place, with general agreement on the "New Hampshire Co-op." Each board member was asked to write his ideas on what the ground-breaking sign should contain and submit them to the GCS office by Wednesday of this week.

The groundbreaking will take place on Thursday, September 14, followed by a dinner-meeting at 6 p.m. for leading citizens in the new store's area and Greenbelt's board of directors.

Bob Mitchell in his membership committee report stated that "Rochdale had turned over their mailing list" to GCS; and a "series of membership meetings will be carried on intensively" in the vicinity of the store.

### Bowling On Way

According to Bassett Ferguson, presenting the management report, work has been started on the bowling alleys which should be ready for business by the end of September. The question of where to put the beer, soda and snacks enterprise that has occupied the basement space was discussed. The possibility of concentrating the sale of beverages in the ice cream area was mentioned. Mrs. Carrie Harper felt that this "would ruin the appearance of the store." A suggestion by Walter Bierwagen was "the bakery could be moved where the milk refrigerator is, the beer refrigerator moved to the present bakery counter, the milk stored in the space occupied now by the beer refrigerator." It was generally agreed by the board that any contemplated change would have to be considered carefully so as not to mar the store's appearance or hinder its business.

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## Mayor Harrington Crowns Miss Greenbelt of 1950



—PHOTOGRAPH BY HANS JORGENSEN.

From left to right, the beauty contestants grouped around Queen Judy Lewis are Ann Walker, Jean Faulconer, Betty Merriman, Gloria Shelton, Rita Snoddy, Jackie Ackerman, Beverly Brundage. Mayor Elizabeth Harrington is shown crowning the Queen.

## Nursery Parents Announce Meeting

The first meeting of the Greenbelt Cooperative Nursery School parents will be held Thursday, September 7, at 8:30 p.m. in the home economics room of the Center school.

It is important that all parents attend this meeting. An invitation is also extended to any parent who will not have a child attending this term but who is interested in obtaining information about the school.

Announcement will be made at the meeting of the hours of classes, committees and other vital information. There will be a discussion of transportation and other ways in which the mothers can assist one another. Parents will also have an opportunity to meet the new teacher, Mrs. Irene Castle.

There will be two sessions of the nursery school this term, with the younger children attending in the morning. A few vacancies still exist. Interested parents may call Mrs. Paul Lentz, 7347.

## Three Sisters Join St. Hugh's Faculty

Three new members are joining the faculty of St. Hugh's parochial school this fall, according to Sister Elizabeth Clare, principal. They are replacing three who have left, with Sister St. Hugh, Sister Dorine and Sister Elizabeth Clare remaining from last year.

The new sisters are Sister Daniel Marie, from St. Mary's Academy, Alexandria, Virginia; Sister Anella, from Blessed Sacrament parish, Chevy Chase; and Sister Marie Michelle, from St. Peter's Washington. Sisters St. Hugh, Dorine and Anella took a special course in reading and phonics this summer at Dunbarton College.

## North End School Reopens Sept. 11

The North End school will reopen on September 11, at 9 a.m.

Children who attended the school last year will report to their former rooms, while new registrants will report where they were assigned when they registered on September 1. Those who have not registered will report to the office.

## CENTER SCHOOL SCHEDULE

September 1: Registration day for all new pupils. Bring birth certificates, vaccination certificate and all other health certificates.

September 11: First day of school. Note to first year children: a. Bring health certificates on September 11; b. 12 noon dismissal until otherwise notified.

September 13: Meeting: Kindergarten parents and teachers at 1:30 p.m. in the arts and crafts room.

September 14: First day of school for kindergarten children.

Cafeteria: Notice of the opening date will be given later.

The Greenbelt Public Library will be closed Labor Day, Monday September 4th.

## BAND VISITS MOUNT AIREY LIONS CLUB

Members of the Greenbelt Band were guests of the Lions Club at Mount Airey, Maryland on Wednesday, August 30. After providing the musical accompaniment for the Lions Club horse show they paraded the town.

The band was the guest of the Lions Club for luncheon and dinner.

Accompanying the young group was Director Dana Garrett, business manager Ed Halley, and majorette director Mrs. Leroy Neibick.

## Legion, Rescue Squad Give Labor Day Picnic

An all-family picnic will be held at Greenbelt lake on Labor Day, September 4, beginning at noon and lasting till 8:30 p.m., sponsored by Greenbelt Post 136, American Legion, and the auxiliary, together with the Greenbelt rescue squad.

Concessions, including food and beverages, games, and entertainment, such as a band concert, speakers, children's rides, and a trick horse show, will be included in the day's activities. All residents of Greenbelt and their friends and guests are invited to participate.

## Defense Group Meets

The Mayor's Advisory Committee on the Greenbelt Disaster Plan met for two hours August 29th with Director of Civil Defense George Panagoulis to discuss elements of the separate but related reports which the two groups expect to make to Council on September 11.

The Committee chairman, Major Lyman Woodman, reported that the advisory group's statement will include comment on some of Chief Panagoulis' findings and recommendations, and will provide some supplementary data which it developed independently.

The committee and the local director have already agreed on some desirable features of a City Disaster Plan. "Mr. Panagoulis has acquired a lot of information of value in disaster planning," reports Major Woodman, "and he is relating it to state requirements and inter-community mutual-aid programs. Our committee was pleased to find that he has already covered much of the ground which we had contemplated working on. We are trying to coordinate and avoid any overlapping of our efforts. What we will together turn over to the Council should provide a useful guide for actions to be taken by whosoever is designated by the mayor (and approved of by the governor) to be the permanent civil defense head."

## Beauties And Aquabats At Annual Swimfest

By Miriam G. Johnson

Aerial figurines, canoe tilting, and a six-boy alligator, the like of which had never been seen in these parts before, made the Water Follies of 1950 a novel success. Colored balloons strung over the pool, bright greenery background, accompanying musicians, and cleverly developed floats, costumes and other props formed an added relish to the meat of Sunday afternoon's aquatic menu: a display of excellent swimming training received by the healthy, vigorous youngsters of the town, which is available to all! Fine performers and weather alike cooperated with Ora Donoghue and Sam Fox of the Recreation Dept. to produce a fine show August 27.

Water Follies Queen Judy Lewis was chosen during Act IV by Judges A. J. Driscoll, Times Herald; John M. Kauffman, The Evening Star; and Walter Haight, Washington Post. The popular Youth Center candidate flattered her blonde hair with a yellow suit. Crowned by Mayor Elizabeth Harrington with a white chrysanthemum tiara, the queen received a silver loving cup. She then rode a swan-steered float across the pool to join the runners-up in surveying the rest of the program.

All of the girls carried beautiful arm bouquets which complemented their solid-color bathing suits. The bevy of Greenbelt beauties, who met the qualifications of being between 15 and 25 as well as a resident of Greenbelt, were the following: Beverly Brundage, aquamarine suit, Rescue Squad; Jackie Ackerman, powder-blue suit, American Legion; Jean Faulconer, ice-green suit, Co-op; Betty Merriman, dark blue suit, Band; Rita Snoddy, red suit, Fire Department; Gloria Shelton, sea-foam green suit, Isaak Walton League; Ann Walker, white suit, Prince Georges Bank.

Judy Lewis had been scheduled to appear in a later act but as a reigning queen had to keep from getting wet. Ora Donoghue who produced and directed the water show substituted for Judy in that final number, proving she can practice what she preaches. Beauty contestant Ann Walker was able to display her wonderful dancing-acrobatic talents as she could stay dry while doing so.

The Canoe Tilt, Act VI, was an actual championship match and for the 17th year gave the title to Bill Haven Jr. The first tilt was a play-off between Tilters Frank Haven and Bob Evans. Their respective paddlers were Jim Ruckert and Dick Leslie. Frank Haven won and then played and lost the championship tilt to his brother Bill. The championship match usually is conducted in Chester, Pennsylvania, but thanks to arrangements made by Recreation Director Sam Fox they consented to tilt here to delight Greenbelt with their unusual, thrilling sport.

The Retreat of Mr. Alligator in Act III was cleverly carried out by six little boys that kept him afloat. They were Dale White, Carroll Barcus, Chuck White, Tom White, Freddie Schrom and Mike Redd. The seals and fishes who chased him out of the pool were the same girls who swam in the prelude: Lynn Kenestrick, who dove beautifully in the opening number, Judy Kasko, Joyce Kling, Anne Turner, Maureen Moore and Blakely Littleton.

The Beach Ballers in Act I, delighted the younger crowd. They their rhythmic ball tossing. They were Bobby Dove, Tommy Hawkins, Jack White, Burt Steinman, Aaron Knott, Tom White, Buddy Giersch, Johnny McGuckin, Don-

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## Constitutional Convention For Md.

By Mrs. J. C. Crichton

*State Constitution Chairman, County League of Women Voters*

The question of calling a Constitutional Convention for Maryland will be on the ballot in the general election on November 7, 1950. Although the ballot in November will be long, with many state and county offices to be filled, the referendum on the calling of a constitutional convention is, from the long-term viewpoint, the most important item on the ballot.

The State Bar Association of Maryland, the League of Women Voters of Maryland, the Maryland League of Municipalities, and other civic organizations have endorsed the calling of a Constitutional Convention this year. Any new constitution or revisions of the present document would have to be submitted to the voters for final approval. The only question on the ballot this fall is *whether the time has come for Maryland to review its basic governmental document, study it, and determine if it might not be improved.*

The present Maryland Constitution was written in 1867 during the aftermath of the Civil War and was primarily designed to meet the conditions of that day. The constitution provided that every 20 years "the sense of the people shall be taken" on calling a constitutional convention, but since that time no convention has been called. Over the years, however, the Constitution has been amended 59 times and 5 more amendments are up to be voted on this November.

With the advancing complexity and growth of the problems of state, county, and local government, the process of revising the Maryland Constitution by amendment has reached the point of diminishing returns. It is time that the entire constitution be reviewed, to determine whether Maryland should adopt an instrument flexible enough to stand the test of time as the Federal Constitution has. Unlike the 59 amendments in 83 years in Maryland, the Federal Constitution has had to be amended only 21 times in 162 years.

Should the referendum be carried, the General Assembly will set up the machinery for electing delegates to a special constitutional convention. As has been true in other constitutional conventions in Maryland, 1776, 1851, 1864, and 1867, it is expected that citizens of outstanding caliber would be seated in the convention, citizens guided by principle in their deliberations and dedicated to presenting the citizens of Maryland with an outstanding document on which they could pass judgment before it is enacted into law.

In previous votes taken under the 20-year provision, the referendum failed to carry in 1887 and 1907. In 1930 a favorable majority of 14,650 was given the referendum, but because of a technicality the legislature threw out the vote and refused to call a convention. This year the people of Maryland should make special effort to provide a large enough vote to convince the General Assembly that the people of Maryland want a constitutional convention.

## THANK YOU

I want to thank all my neighbors and friends for the lovely birthday cards and gifts they gave me on my birthday, August 22. Thanks a lot.  
Mary Lengel.

## PHOTOGRAPHERS SHOOT IT OUT

Not to take anything away from the Water Follies pageant, which was a huge success, it appears to this humble person that Greenbelt's amateur photographers put on a pretty good show themselves Sunday afternoon to the delight and edification of the 10,000 spectators present. Paul Kasko got a picture from the roof and Wilfred Mead countered with a shot from the top of the water slide. Now it was Hans Jorgensen with a few angle shots, but Guy Moore topped them all with his perch on top of the fire truck ladder. Tho' our "four flashy fotogs" didn't get top billing, they sure were on top of everything. Seems to me a course in photography should be supplemented with one in acrobatics.

Ray Haber  
3-C Eastway

## Personal Touch

Doris Asbell Mednick

The American Red Cross, Prince Georges branch, has been conducting a series of classes in motor mechanics, Red Cross history, and first aid. Greenbelters who have had the first two phases and are ready to start first aid are Mrs. Thelma Darling, Mrs. Janice Durby, Raymond Kerlin, Miss Cyrilla O'Connor and Mrs. Pauline Trappier. The first aid classes, which will begin September 12, are free of charge. All interested citizens are invited to attend. The address is Red Cross Chapter House, 4112 Hamilton St., Hyattsville.

At a recent social at-home, the conversation got around to the inexhaustible topic of conversation that usually occurs in many people's parlors in Greenbelt: "Co-op's prices are higher than competitors." Sound familiar, folks? But in this group were two scientists who wanted conclusive evidence to back up their theory, tho' they were on opposite sides of the fence. So David Garen and Sol Mednick made a date to spot-check items in the center food store and a large chain store in this area. On 57 items checked (including canned vegetables, fruits, juices, cookies, crackers, cleaners, cake mixes and flours, coffee, cocoa, tissues, soaps, soups, and canned milk) they found that on identical brands, 33 items were alike in price; on 16 items, co-op was about 1c higher; and on 8 items, co-op was from 1c to 3c cheaper. If you want more specific details or further discussion, call Dave; he'll be glad to oblige on both counts.

Jim and Charlotte Walsh, formerly of Northway Road, were guests of honor at a party given for them on the purchase of their new home. It was held at the home of Myra and Herbert Hertz, 45-T Ridge, on the lawn last Saturday night. The Walshes would like to extend greetings to all the friends they couldn't say a personal farewell to. Here's their new address: 4616 Easy Place, S.E., Washington 19. Phone number is Ludlow 1-5898.

Among those present were the Harringtons, the Tillems, the Finks, the Ritchies, the Ralph G. Millers, the Dolgoffs, the David Fishers, Sherrod Easts, Nat Scheins, Mrs. Virginia Horton and many, many more.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Newman and sons Ronald and Robert, 4-B Laurel Hill, returned recently from a month's vacation. They visited friends and relatives in Illinois, some time in the lake country of Iowa, Missouri, and also spent North Minnesota and Wisconsin. The Norman Granings and their 4 daughters: Sandra, Carole, Barbara and Toby, of 2-S Plateau, spent three weeks traveling through New England sightseeing historic spots and visiting friends. Mr. and Mrs. William Kellaheer, 8-C Ridge, have taken their family (all eight of them) to visit Mr. Kellaheer's parents in Brooklyn. The Tom Callanan's, 2-C Laurel Hill, and family are vacationing at the summer beach home of Mr. Callanan's mother in Antioch, Illinois.

Elsa Jorgensen, 19-E Hillside, met for the first time a cousin who was enroute from Chicago to Washington where she is taking a training course prior to an assignment overseas. Cousin's name: Ethel Anderson.

Corinne and Paul Strickler of 8-F Laurel Hill announce the birth of a son weighing 8 lbs., born at Columbia Hospital. He's so new he hasn't been named yet, but Paul insists on naming the heir. But in the democratic tradition, he's giving his wife the choice of Paul Donald or Scott Doug. The Stricklers will be moving to 18-Z-1 Ridge in the next few days. The Robert L. Broadbents of 3-K Plateau are happy over the birth of their first child, a boy.

The J. Walsh Barcus', 2-T Gardenway, added a baby girl to their family. She was born last night at Columbia Hospital. That brings the total to two girls and three boys.

Friends of Joseph Karitas of 2-D Southway will be sorry to hear that he is ill again at the Episcopal Eye and Ear Hospital.

## COMMUNITY CHURCH PROTESTANT

Ministers

Rev. Edward H. Bonsall, Jr.

Phone: 8241

Rev. Eric T. Braund

Phone: 5001

Friday, September 1 - 7 p.m., Boat ride party of senior high group leave for 7th St. docks, from Center school. Boat leaves at 8:30, returning at 11:30.

Saturday, September 2 - 9:30 a.m., Wood-sawing bee at church site for men and boys.

Sunday, September 3 - 8:45 a.m., Sunday school for beginners, primary and nursery.

8:45 a.m., Church worship. Music by the high-school-college choir, directed by Mrs. McClendon, with Mrs. Donald Kern at the organ.

9:50 a.m., Sunday school for juniors, junior high, senior high and adults.

11 a.m., Church worship. Music by the adult choir, directed by Mrs. John McClendon with Mrs. Daniel Neff at the organ. Mr. Braund will preach at both morning services.

11 a.m., Sunday school for nursery, beginners and primary.

6 p.m., The Angelus Hour of meditation.

Monday, September 4 - 8 p.m., Board of trustees meet, church office.

Tuesday, September 5 - 1:30 p.m., Afternoon guild at Littleton's.

## ST. HUGH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

Rev. Victor J. Dowgiallo, Pastor

Greenbelt 5911

Saturday: Confessions, 3 to 5 p.m. for children, 7:30 to 9:30 for adults.

Sunday: Masses: 7:30, 8:30, 9:30 and 11 a.m. This Sunday is Holy Communion Sunday for members of St. Hugh's Sodality at the 7:30 Mass.

Wednesday: Novena services, 7:45 p.m.

Baptisms: 1 p.m. on Sundays. Anyone wishing to have a baby baptized should see Father Dowgiallo beforehand.

## NCJW PLANS FOR COMING YEAR AT SEPT. 6 MEETING

The Greenbelt section of the National Council of Jewish Women will hold its first meeting of the 1950-51 season in the home economics room, Center school, on Wednesday, September 6, at 8:30 p.m.

Mrs. Nathan H. Schein, president, invites the entire membership to attend, as the chairmen of the standing committees will present their plans for the coming year, and Mrs. Hyman Tannenbaum, treasurer, will discuss the proposed budget for the year. Also at this meeting delegates will be chosen for the Mid-Atlantic Conference, which will be held in Washington on October 22 to 25. Refreshments will be served during the social period following the meeting.

## Sasscer To Attend 21st District Rally

Congressman Lansdale G. Sasscer, representative from the Fifth Congressional District of Maryland, who is running for reelection this fall, will attend a Democratic rally at the Branchville fire department on September 7, together with all local candidates recommended by the Democratic state central committee of Prince Georges county. All the citizens of the 21st election district, which includes Greenbelt, Berwyn, College Park and neighboring communities, are invited to attend the rally, which begins at 7:30 p.m. Refreshments will be served.

Leland G. Worthington, president of the 21st district Democratic club, points out that this meeting will give the voters of the district an opportunity of meeting and knowing all the candidates, both the incumbents and those seeking public office for the first time.

## Navy Wives To Hold First Meeting Tues.

The Truman Riddle Navy Wives Club will hold its first fall meeting on Tuesday, September 5, at 8:30

## GREENBELT LUTHERAN CHURCH

Edwin E. Pieplow, Pastor  
Phone WARfield 0942

Sunday, September 3 - Sunday School - 11:30 a.m. Adult Bible class, 12 noon. Regular services, 12:30 p.m.

Friday, September 8 - All children who will attend Trinity Lutheran School from kindergarten to eighth grade, must appear for registration on Friday, September 8, to be assigned to desks and to receive their books. School will begin on Monday morning, September 11, with a devotional service in the school auditorium at 9 a.m. Parents and friends are invited to this service.

Saturday, September 9 - The Two-some club will hold a beach party. Bring the children too. The Place: Triton Beach. Please register with Mr. and Mrs. Gustafson or Mr. and Mrs. Hannemann. This will be a family outing for all members and friends within the parish. Cars will leave the Mt. Rainier Church at 10 a.m. Please notify committee if you need transportation and also if you can give transportation. All are asked to pack their own picnic lunches. Cold soft drinks will be furnished by the Club.

## MOWATT MEMORIAL METHODIST CHURCH

Phone SHepherd 0035

Russell B. Reed, Minister

Sunday, September 3 - Church school, 9:45 a.m. Class for each age group. Morning worship, 11 a.m. Sermon, "The Heritage that is Ours." With vacations mostly over, we look forward to welcoming you back to our services. We welcome all to come worship with us, and to make our church your church home.

Monday, September 4 - No WSCS meeting.

Wednesday, September 6 - The Woman's Society of Christian Service will meet promptly at 7:30 for a short business session. At 8 p.m. the members of the WSCS of Branchville Methodist Church will celebrate with us the tenth anniversary of our Woman's Society since unification. All members and friends are cordially invited.

Saturday, September 9 - Annual Ham Dinner sponsored by the entire church on the lawn, beginning at 5 p.m. Dinners will be available to take home. The price includes dessert. The public is cordially invited. Call Mrs. Juneck for tickets at Greenbelt 3739.

## Police Blotter

By William Goddard

At 6:30 a.m. August 25, a car was reported stolen in Greenbelt. The car's description was circulated among the Washington police, who located the car at 1 p.m. of the same day in the northeast section of Washington, D. C. The person or persons responsible for the theft were not found. The car, which had been damaged slightly, was returned to its rightful owner.

In the process of fixing his car, a man was cut above his eye by a moving part of the automotive mechanism. He contacted the police, asking for assistance to locate an available doctor. The police brought him to a local doctor, who took two stitches above his eye.

A green parakeet bird has been found by a Greenbelt resident. The bird will be kept by the present hosts until such a time as any original owner properly proves rightful possession to the bird. All proper claims should be made at the police station.

A group of young boys have been driving about town in a "Hot Rod" car. The motor in the car has been so designed that when it is traveling at normal speeds it creates sounds similar to cars traveling at high speeds. The net result of this unique contraption is to either amaze or frighten those who have seen or heard it.

p.m. at the home of Mrs. E. R. Wilkinson, 51-P Ridge.

Membership is open to the wives of men serving in the Navy, Coast Guard and Marine Corps. Visitors are welcome.



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## FOX TALES

By Sam Fox

**Water Show:** The Recreation Department wishes to thank all the children and adults for their cooperation, and the parents who helped, in making the show the success it was this year.

**Recreation Night:** The first recreation night was held Monday, August 28. The girls' exhibitions were well-decorated and the Tot Talent Show very good in that all the children from all the playgrounds participated. The exhibition of the Arts and Crafts seemed remarkable to the parents who viewed the articles the children made. A class will be offered in the fall. Over 200 people were at the exhibition.

The drama group gave a performance during the evening of recreation night. The children did a fine job as well as the instructor. We hope to have a drama group in the fall.

**Softball:** Congratulations to the Junior softball team for winning the Prince Georges County championship by the score of 12 to 4. The midgets went as far as the quarter-finals and the Seniors did as well.

**Championship Softball:** Last week the citizens of Greenbelt enjoyed the City Series and saw some of the best softball they will see for many a day. It may be the last year for the City play-offs in Greenbelt, as they hope to play the District in 1951.

**Fall Program:** The fall program will be published in the last issue of **The Cooperator** during the month of September. Some new activities will be offered this year that were not available last year, such as arts and crafts, fine arts, junior and senior high night in the gym, and after-school leagues in basketball, volleyball, tough football, etc.

**Football:** The Recreation Department will have a football contest in November again, so get in shape in passing and kicking, and you may win a gold football. More data will follow in November.

**Swimming Pool:** The swimming pool will close the day after Labor Day. We wish to thank all of the citizens of Greenbelt for their cooperation in respect to public property and giving us a hand whenever needed. The summer program

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### Jrs. Take Floodtown And Top County, 5-4

Frankie Lagana's booming triple followed by Mike Cockill's squeeze bunt enabled the Greenbelt Boys' Club Junior Baseball Team to turn defeat into a thrilling victory as they edged Bladensburg 5-4 in a Prince Georges County Boys' Club playoff contest at Edmonston on Monday evening.

Greenbelt came to bat in the bottom half of the last stanza trailing by a 4-2 score. Jim McCollum, Mike Redd and pinch hitter Jim Stripling singled in succession to start the inning. McCollum scored on Stripling's hit and Mike Redd was thrown out at third base. Lagana then came to bat and with two strikes against him tied up the ball game with a lusty triple over the left fielders head. On the first pitch, Mike Cockill dragged a beautiful bunt down the first base line to score Lagana with the winning run.

Bill Moore turned in an excellent pitching performance for the local boys holding his opponents to six hits. Catcher Bing Miller contributed two singles to lead his teammates in hitting. The entire Greenbelt team played airtight defensive ball.

### Fife, Drum And Bugle Corps Meets Sept. 13

The first meeting and registration of the Greenbelt Fife, Drum and Bugle Corps, sanctioned by the Recreation Department, will be held Wednesday, September 13 in the arts and crafts room, Center school, at 7:30 p.m. Everyone interested in joining is urged to be present at this meeting.

Ages of the members will range from 11 to 17 for juniors, and from 18 up for seniors. For further information call Daniel Vucci, 10-D Hillside, at 7446.

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### Gun Club Tops League As Summer Shoots End

By Lyman Woodman

Greenbelt shooters won the championship of the summer program of the Maryland Rifle League as the eighth and last match was fired on the local range last Sunday. Ten teams participated in the schedule this year, two from the Greenbelt Gun Club and one each from eight other clubs in the Washington and Southern Maryland area. The No. 1 team from Greenbelt ended the season with an average of 1576.72 points out of 1600. The Terrapin Club (mostly Univ. of Md. personnel) had 1673.87, and the Berwyn Club ended the tournament with 1569.

Unit averages were based on the totals of the averages of the four best shooters on each team who had fired in at least half of the season's matches. In fairness to another group of top-notch shooters, it should be known that had the National Capital Club members been able to attend more matches, Greenbelt might have taken second place instead of the lead.

As the local program was registered with the National Rifle Association's Summer League Program, the local club is now in position to try again—opposing the Western Maryland League champs—for the State title. Greenbelt won it last year, and in 1946 and 1947 was top club in the local League.

Firing for Greenbelt in the State title match, probably in mid-September, will be Ruth and Freeman Morgan, Lyman Woodman, and Donald Kern. Their team has already won the NRA League plaque and individual medals for what has been accomplished so far; the State title and awards are now the Club's goal.

In the League program here this summer about 100 different people have competed. Five Greenbelt members are among the top 10 shooters in the entire group, so far as individual scores are concerned.

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### Variety Store



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der the sale of those items after regular store hours.

The program for the employees' annual affair to be held sometime late in September was outlined by Henry Walter. It will begin at 6 p.m. A buffet dinner will be served at 8 p.m. to employees and their wives or guests, after which there will be a speaker. A dance will follow, with music to be provided by a dance band. The board approved the budget of \$200 for the affair, but felt this would not be enough to cover the kind of program planned.

#### Theater Questions

Jack Eskridge, manager of the Greenbelt theater, appeared at the meeting to answer board questions on the operation of that enterprise. Asked why the selection of pictures for Saturdays' showing were not of a higher caliber, Eskridge answered that "on Saturdays, the movie performs a baby-sitter function," and when he tried showing a different type of movie from the cowboy-Indian variety, he received hundreds of complaints. Asked why certain pictures will be shown on certain days when it was felt that they might "do better business on other days of the week," Eskridge replied that "choice of days that a picture plays is dictated by motion picture companies." He expressed the opinion that "movie business has reached rock bottom" and "losses are less than last year," although Greenbelt's movie business is better than other houses in this area.

On the subject of art pictures, although Eskridge believes they have done a wonderful publicity job for Greenbelt, they have not made any money. Practically all the attendance at art picture showings is from outside of Greenbelt. The people in Greenbelt who desired this type of film have not supported it, according to the theatre manager.

Henry Walter asked "what specific answer can we give the membership when they ask why the theatre does not make money?" "By giving the people too much service," replied the movie manager.

"Raise the price of attendance to compete with other neighborhood houses, show a poorer caliber of movies, and book them six months after they've been shown at first-run theaters," was the way Mr. Eskridge clarified his previous statement.

#### Rec Dept. Will Offer Fine Arts Class In Fall

The Recreation Department will have fine art classes for all children from the ages of 8 to 16 years old twice a week. The classes will be taught by Mrs. Sari Shiron. All those interested must register at I-C Laurel Hill any night next week between 7 and 8 p.m. The classes will begin in October, the time and place to be announced at a later date. Mothers should come with the children when they register, so they may meet the instructor and get more information about the classes.

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ald Walker and Mike Redd. Mary Rupert and Jana Andrusic did the baton number. Barbara Dennard performed the solo tap dance.

The selection of the water follies queen in Act IV was followed by the adroit diving of Mary Michael Rupert, Jana Lee Andrusic, Freddie Schrom, Johnny and Blakely Littleton on the low dives. The wonderful form displayed on the high dive, was that of Carol Day. The Jokesters, who dove with much buffoonery (with the aid of such props as wagons, umbrellas and wheelbarrows) were Mike Redd, Dale White, Freddie Schrom, Chuck White, Tom White and Jack White.

Gaite Parisienne, Act V, was intriguingly cannanned by Sonia Friedman and Ann Walker. The swimmers during this French-type number were Janet Meriam, Pat Giersch, Carol Day, Betty Kitchen and Marilyn Bierwagen.

The Acromarines in Act VII featured Ann Walker on the swimming platform over the high dive, acrobating on a very hot roof with her usual suave performance. Dorothy Dennard displayed remarkable muscular control on the center float. The corner floats in this difficult number were occupied by Peggy Taylor, Judy Kasko, Mary Michael Rupert, and Jana Lee Andrusic.

The final act, No. VIII, was entitled the Figurines because the male swimmers held aloft artfully poised dancing girls, which must have been especially strenuous on the boys at the deep end of the pool. Ora choreographed this complicated number as she did the other acts, and was one of the statuesque posers as well. The professional smoothness of all the performers was especially apparent in their united precision. Those taking part in this accomplished event on the program were Ora Donoghue, Teddy Fox, Janet Meriam, Noel Meriam, Carol Day, Johnny Littleton, Ann Dwiggins, Betty Kitchen, Pat Giersch, H. M. Goode, Pete Cookson, Fred Klippert, Wayne Jernberg, Jean Kasko and Marilyn Bierwagen.

The guitar trio was from the Beard School of Music and included Mr. Beard, Donald Morrison, and Ruby Edminston. Drum roll was by Edward Halley. Imogene and Glenda Haber showed the program cards. Tom White was an excellent master of ceremonies.

Ora Donoghue's assistants in presenting the show were Mrs. Frank White and Mrs. Alton Bowman.

Costumes and floats were made by Mrs. Dudley Walker, Mrs. C. Tucker, Jerry McDonald, Michael Leech, Elliott Sines and William Kellaher.

After the final number, reporter Driscoll of the Times Herald who acted as one of the judges ventured to placate the losers by stating he had judged many a beauty contest but had never seen such a lovely group of girls. Now, now, Mr. Driscoll—you're only saying that because it's so!

#### Homemakers Meet Wednesday Night

The Greenbelt Homemakers Club, which meets the first Wednesday of each month, will hold its first meeting of the year Wednesday, September 6 at 8 p.m. in the social room at the Center school.

The program for the coming year will be discussed. At roll call, members will be asked to give their ideas for additional projects to be studied along with the county program.

New members are welcome. Refreshments will be served.

#### Basketball Tryouts Sunday

On Sunday, September 3, at 1:30 p.m., the Greenbelt Lions will hold their first practice for the feeder basketball team. A welcome is extended to all new men interested in trying out. The practice will be held at McDonald Field, which is located behind the 7 court on Southway.

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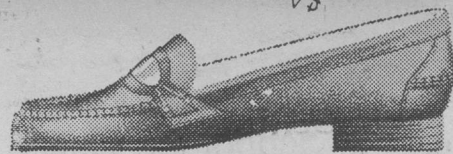
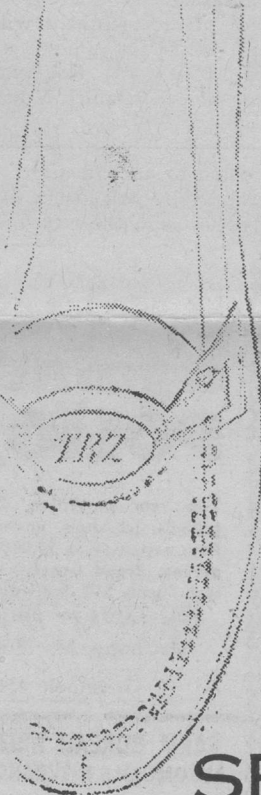
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